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SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE REVIEWS HIS YEAR'S WORK.

Declares There Has Been Progress in the Department—Tree-Planting and Road Building Among Returns—The Weather Service Has Been Extended.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has made his annual report for 1899. The salient points in connection with each bureau are briefly outlined as follows:

Weather Bureau—The extension of the weather bureau service around the Caribbean Sea has been abundantly successful.

Division of Chemistry—This division is becoming a necessity to every department of the Government. An interesting inquiry has been made into the change which takes place in the composition of grains grown repeatedly on the same soil.

Division of Entomology—Since Dr. Howard has shown owners of Smyrna fig trees on the Pacific coast how to get the fruit, fertilized, there is good reason to believe that in a few years we shall obtain our fine figs from that locality.

Division of Botany—The department is gathering information regarding the life history of the plants that supply commerce with India rubber and gutta-percha, and should Congress be pleased to give direction, it will seek the plant zones in our island possessions where these commodities may be produced.

Biological Survey—Plants and animals thrive and produce best where they are most at home. The biological survey is endeavoring to find the most congenial conditions for our plants and animals.

Division of Vegetable Physiology and Pathology—The hybridizing of grains is being conducted by the division of vegetable physiology and pathology with a view to securing varieties (rust-resisting, drought-resisting and cold-resistant) better suited to our varied soils and climates.

Division of Pomology—This division continues to experiment in many localities throughout the country with fruit-bearing trees, plants and vines. For example, 119 varieties of the vine table-grapes of Europe have been grafted on Phylloxera-resistant American stocks and sent to North Carolina and Florida.

Division of Forestry—The division of forestry is introducing practical and paying forestry on a large scale among lumbermen and extensive experimentation in tree planting is being conducted with cooperation on the part of those interested in woodcraft in several States.

Division of Soils—The irrigation farmer of the West is being helped by the mapping and extending investigation of alkali soils and by the reclamation of injured or abandoned land, many acres of which have become sterile through the injurious use of water.

Division of Agrostology—Cropping reduces the organic material in the soil. Long-continued cropping renders the soil unproductive. Grasses and legumes are the best agencies for restoring this organic matter. The division of agrostology is experimenting with home and foreign grasses and legumes.

Office of Experiment Stations—Co-operation between the department and the experiment stations becomes closer every year. Assistance from the States is increasing and the farmers of the several States are appreciating their station work more and more. Experimentation in Alaska has begun with congressional aid.

Office of Public-Road Inquiries—There is great interest at the present time in the public highways of the country. Extensive experimentation is being conducted by the department in co-operation with local authorities in making sample roads from the materials found in different localities and in the laying of steel track.

Division of Publications—During the year 600 publications were issued and over 7,000,000 copies distributed among the people.

Section of Foreign Markets—Shows rapid growth of American commerce in all parts of the world. We continue to sell raw material to foreign countries from which they manufacture high-quality articles.

Bureau of Animal Industry—The work of this bureau increases rapidly. Most inspection was conducted last year at 138 stations in forty-nine cities. The automobile inspections were 53,223,176, while the number in 1892 was 3,800,459. The third year of experimentation with hog cholera shows that from 75 to 80 per cent of hogs injected with serum are saved.

Division of Statistics—Fifty thousand crop reporters keep the division of statistics informed regarding the condition of our staple crops and every effort is being made to promptly give the people the facts as they are found.

Gardens and Grounds—The grounds of the department and its extensive greenhouses serve a useful purpose, more than 100,000 plants and bulbs, all of economic value, having been distributed during the year by the superintendent.

The Secretary then reviews in some detail the work of the several bureaus, divisions and offices of the department. He lays stress on the great services rendered by the weather bureau to commerce and agriculture and by the bureau of animal industry to the stock growers of the country.

He makes a strong plea for the wide extensions of the forestry work, for which he urges greatly increased appropriations. He dwells at some length on the losses due to the injudicious use of water in alkali lands of the irrigated regions and pleads for a special appropriation of \$10,000 for the investigation of the subject.

Much work has also been undertaken on behalf of tobacco, looking to as wide a substitution as possible of home grown for imported product, by improving the quality of the former.

He congratulates the country on the increasing co-operation between the department and the State experimental stations in many lines of important work, and strongly urges special appropriations to establish agricultural experiment stations in Hawaii, the Philippine Islands and Porto Rico.

AIR MAIL

Army and Navy Notes.

The British flying squadron will soon be fitted out.

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SLAUGHTER AT MODDER RIVER.

Terrific British-Boer Battle Near Kimberley Lasts Ten Hours.

The supreme test of strength between the Boers and British in western Cape Colony occurred Tuesday, when Gen. Lord Methuen's column, advancing to relieve Kimberley, was opposed by the main Boer force at the Modder river, twenty-five miles south of Kimberley. The action commenced with the artillery, mounted infantry and the guides on the right and the Ninth brigade on the left. Methuen's force attacked the Boer position with a widely extended formation supported by artillery. Gen. Methuen found himself in front of the whole Boer force, comprising 8,000 men, with two large guns, four Krups and other pieces. The naval brigade rendered great assistance from the railway. After desperate, hard fighting, lasting ten hours, the British, without food or water, under a burning sun, made the enemy quit his position. That the slaughter was enormous cannot be doubted. Gen. Methuen himself was wounded and Col. Northcott and Lieut. Col. Stopford are among the dead.

In the short space of seven days Gen. Lord Methuen's force, advancing to the relief of Kimberley, again met the Boer army at Gras Pan, ten miles north of Belmont, Saturday, and a desperate battle, lasting many hours, ensued. The engagement was not ended when the official report was sent, but it was construed as a British victory, despite heavy losses in which the naval detachment stood more than its share. A recalculation of the losses by Gen. Methuen's forces at Gras Pan shows that fifty Boers were killed and twice as many wounded. The battle began at 6 a. m., lasting until 10 a. m. Boer losses must have been much heavier than known. Fifty horses were found dead where the Boers withdrew, a steady rain of shrapnel. The British did not pursue the routed forces of the enemy, but halted one day to rest.

The brunt of the fighting in both engagements was borne by the Ninth brigade, the naval brigade, the Second North Yorkshire light infantry and First North Lancashire regiment. The Boer force was composed of Transvaal and Free State commandos. Its artillery was commanded by the Transvaal general, Debarrye.

The artillery was carried off the field, despite the flanking attack of the British cavalry. Among the killed were Commander Alfred P. Ethelston of the cruiser Powerful, Captain Guy Senior of the Royal marine artillery, attached to the battleship Monarch, and Maj. Plumbe of the Royal marines. Flag Captain R. C. Frathers was severely wounded. The Boers shelled a camp of Rhodesian horse, north of Crocodile river, and captured the horses and mules of the squadron.

Up to date the Boers hold as prisoners thirty-nine officers, 3,237 men and sixty-two political prisoners. The total British losses since the opening of the campaign on Oct. 15 are 222 killed, 881 wounded and 676 missing, making a total of 2,779. About 400 who are not accounted for, it is feared, were killed.

Gen. Methuen's second battle foreshadowed a hard campaign for the British. The information sent by correspondents concerning Gen. Joubert's movements is not altogether reliable, and engagements may be looked for in unexpected places.

Gen. Joubert, in an interview, declares the British will be greatly weakened by their losses, and that a defensive war by the Boers will result in guerrilla warfare the British could not long endure.

A dispatch from Rome says many Italians are leaving there to join the Boers. The Boers in their marches frequently halt their horses and dismount to pray for divine guidance and aid. As the second stand by the Boers at Gras Pan was only ten miles from where the first engagement took place, another battle is expected as soon as the British again advance.

BRITAIN WARNS FRANCE.

Plain Words Used in Public by Joseph Chamberlain.

Colonial Secretary Chamberlain speaking at Leicester, alluded strongly to statements in the French press, which he declared were aimed at "what many regard as almost a sacred person—the Queen—and which may have serious consequences, if our neighbors do not mend their manners."

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DEATH OF GEORGE R. DAVIS.

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W. J. MURPHY HAS BEEN APPOINTED GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CINCINNATI SOUTHERN RAILROAD.

There has been a French census for eighteen years, but the recent census shows only 20,000 Frenchmen in the colony.

Generals in Cuba report everything quiet. Gen. Wilson advises the withdrawal of troops.

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A MAXIM DETACHMENT IN NATAL.



COMING INTO ACTION FRONT.

These troops represent the Natal carabiniers, who took part in the recent engagements at Glencoe and Elandslangte.

BATTLE AT GRAS PAN.

Gen. Methuen Meets Boer Force Ten Miles from Belmont.

Gen. Lord Methuen, with a British force of 7,000 men, marched fifty-three miles and fought three important battles on the western border of the Orange Free State. In each of these battles the British were victorious, but at a cost that is very severe to so small a body of combatants from the outset. The Boers have compelled

the British to take the initiative and storm strong positions defended by modern artillery and by troops whose superior valor equals that of the attacking army.

The advantage gained by the burghers through their early declaration of war is now manifest. It has enabled them to fight when and where they choose, while the British, instead of massing their troops at the seconce, for a general advance, have been forced to dispatch weak divisions to the relief of the various beleaguered garrisons.

So far the British have carried out their plan of campaign, but at enormous cost. Every inch of their way has been disputed by an active, resolute force, wary, skillful and acquainted with every kind of vantage ground in the scene of operations. The battle of Modder river, which lasted ten hours, is described by the British commander as "one of the hardest fights in the annals of the British army." Such desperate contests are to be expected again, notwithstanding the grim determination of the invaders and their great resources of strength.

Re-enforcements are being hurried from the Cape. Strengthened by those fresh

accessions of horse, foot and artillery, Gen. Methuen soon will be in a better position to follow up his costly successes.

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MANY LESS FAILURES.

LARGE DECREASE FROM LAST YEAR'S FIGURES.

Volume of Trade Much Larger During November than Through Corresponding Month of 1898—American Syndicate to Divert Grain Traffic to Canada.

R. G. Dunn & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "Business continues wonderfully large, prosperous and healthy." As the detailed statement of failures by branches of business cannot be made until next week, it seems well to say that in four weeks failures have been reported amounting to \$6,848,590, against \$8,104,475 in the same weeks of last year, \$17,610,195 in 1897 and over \$12,000,000 in 1896 and also in 1893. Yet the volume of solvent trade represented by exchanges at the principal clearing houses has been for the month \$22,5 per cent greater than last year and 46 per cent greater than in 1892. Wheat remains weak, yielding 14 cents, although Western receipts were but barely half last year's for the week, and for four weeks only 21,743,565 bushels, against 38,602,739 last year. The great decrease in Atlantic exports for the week—only 2,410,554, against 4,123,000 bushels, and for four weeks 10,173,735, against 17,388,210 last year—exhibits much weakness. Corn declined 1 cent, with slightly smaller exports than last year for the week, but for four weeks 15,263,745 bushels, against 11,479,668 last year. Failures for the week have been 144 in the United States, against 281 last year, and 21 in Canada, against 19 last year.

FINDS SON THROUGH A DREAM.

Tennessee Farmer Meets the Boy He Long Believed Dead.

William Rogers, who left his family in Greene County, Tenn., forty years ago and was not heard of after being reported killed while a member of the Twenty-sixth Ohio regiment in the civil war, found his son Frank at Maryville. Recently he dreamed that his wife and oldest son were dead and that Frank, born after he left home, was alive. Investigation proved this a vision accurate in detail. The father is a farmer in Sullivan County and the son a fruit dealer. They have been living within 125 miles of each other for thirty years, each thinking the other dead.

WILL DIVERT GRAIN TRAFFIC.

Canadians Take Steps to Capture Large Share of American Trade.

The harbor commissioners of the port of Montreal have accepted the proposition made by Buffalo and Cleveland capitalists looking to an increase of grain exports through that port. The syndicate is to be granted a site for a large elevator and freight sheds, and in turn agrees to build fifteen steam barges with tons, all at a cost of \$1,100,000. The syndicate agreed to bring 25,000,000 bushels of grain to Montreal next season and to increase this amount to 35,000,000 bushels or more in 1901. A bond of \$50,000 is to be given.

Jealous Woman Kills Two.

Mamie DeLong shot and killed Lizzie Sessions and Calvin Andrew in a fit of jealousy at Landpape's Phosphate camp, near Tampa, Fla. Andrew had been paying considerable attention to the DeLong woman, but had transferred his affections to Lizzie Sessions. Mamie DeLong went to the Sessions woman's house to horsewhip her, and the trouble resulted in the murder of the two.

FARMER SHOOTS TWO OFFICERS.

Attempt to Levy an Execution Results in a Double Tragedy.

Near Cheung Junction, Ohio, Constable William Smith was killed and Marshal T. C. Conlin of Plymouth was fatally wounded by Ezra Moore, a farmer. The officers went to Moore's home to levy an execution and Moore became incensed. Seizing a gun, Moore shot Smith in the head and Conlin in the head and shoulder. Smith died in a few minutes.

Promised Big Profits.

The doors of the home office of the Investors' Trust, 1221 Arch street, Philadelphia, doing business exclusively with patrons outside the city, and promising large profits on investments, have been closed. Efforts to find the president, secretary and cashier are unavailing.

Hardwick Bill Is Beaten.

The negroes of Georgia will continue to exercise unrestricted the right of suffrage. The house by a vote of 137 to 3 defeated the bill offered by Mr. Hardwick of Washington County, calling for the practical disfranchisement of the negro.

Cherokee Treaty Is Revived.

After killing the late Cherokee treaty, the Cherokee council took it up again the next day and passed the bill, extending the time for ratification by Congress and asking that body to make certain changes in the document.

Murder to Insure Freedom.

At Wilburton, I. O., two masked robbers knocked Postmaster M. A. Cox senseless, robbed the postoffice safe of \$300, and, while escaping, shot and instantly killed United States Deputy Marshal Henry Prickenbaugh.

Many Hunters Are Killed.

The deer hunting season recently ended resulted in a total of eleven hunters killed and seven wounded in the Michigan and Lake Superior sections of Wisconsin and Minnesota. Most of them were mistaken for deer.

Bid Purchases of Zinc Property.

The Colonial Zinc Company of New York has purchased from C. E. Mayne of Omaha a forty-acre mineral lease and

FIRE IN PHILADELPHIA.

Nearly a Whole Block in the Business District Is Laid Waste.

An electric spark in the basement of Partridge & Richardson's big department store, 15 to 29 North Eighth street, Philadelphia, started a fire that in less than four hours laid in ashes nearly an entire block of business houses and caused an estimated loss of over \$3,000,000. The heaviest losers are J. B. Lippincott & Co., book publishers, whose big six-story brick building, containing rare and valuable plates and machinery, was completely gutted, involving a loss estimated by a member of the firm at \$2,000,000. The next heaviest loser was Partridge & Richardson. Their loss on building and contents is estimated at \$800,000. Lit Brothers, whose department store adjoins the Lippincott building, estimate their loss at \$400,000. In addition to the big houses mentioned numerous smaller stores were either gutted or badly damaged. Chief among these were Bailey's 5 and 10 cent store, loss \$100,000, and Rosenberg's millinery establishment, loss \$30,000.

SHIP'S MISSION A MYSTERY.

CUTS HIS WIFE WITH AN AX.

Vessel at Mare Island to Go to Panama Under Sealed Orders.

The United States ship Ranger, now lying at Mare Island, San Francisco, has been quietly fitted out for some long voyage, and well-founded rumors are current that she is bent on some secret mission. The officers of the warship refuse to discuss the nature of the voyage. Several six-inch guns are being placed in position on the vessel. The only thing the officers will admit is that the Ranger has been ordered to Panama, and will sail early in December. Sealed instructions have been received from Washington, to be opened on arrival at Panama. It is believed by naval men in San Francisco that the Ranger's ultimate destination is Manila, and that she will be anchored for shore duty at some of the new ports recently taken from the rebels.

SON HELD FOR MOTHER'S DEATH.

Alfred Swingle, in jail at Zanesville, O., on a charge of murder.

Alfred Swingle, 14 years old, is in jail at Zanesville, Ohio, charged with shooting and killing his mother, Mrs. John Swingle, near Stoverton. It was at first thought Mrs. Swingle had been murdered by a tramp. Suspicion began to point to the son, who told confiding stories, and when questioned at the coroner's inquest he broke down and confessed. The lad stated that the shooting was accidental; that the gun was already loaded, and that when he happened to pick it up it was discharged, the load entering his mother's hand, killing her instantly. The boy's story is contradicted in part by his father, who says that the gun had not been loaded for some time and that both barrels were empty when he went to work in the morning.

WEDS FOR THE FIFTH TIME.

Nineteen-Year-Old Girl Has a Married Life.

A mere slip of a girl is Mrs. Oscar E. Farrar of St. Louis, 19 years old, who is now rejoicing in the possession of her fifth husband. Farrar also is but 19 years old. The couple eloped to Belleville, were refused a license, returned to Clayton, made another attempt and were successful. Mrs. Farrar first married when she was 13 years old. She eloped with her first husband, David Johnson of Steeleville, Mo. Her second spouse, for a brief time only, however, was Ed Davitt of Butler, Mo. The third was Will Morton, a traveling salesman, and the fourth Joseph Kessler, who confessed to 18 years.

STARVES IN A PULLMAN CAR.

Illinois Man Sick as a Result of Riding in Linen Closet.

A well-educated young man who says he is Charles Haesinger of Collinsville, Ill., is under the care of the St. Joseph, Mo., city physician, suffering from hunger and injuries caused by remaining several days in a cramped position in a linen closet of a Pullman sleeping car bound for East St. Louis from San Francisco. Haesinger says that he gave the porter in charge of the car an overcoat and a few dollars, all the money he had, for permitting him to ride from Sacramento. He was compelled to seek medical aid at St. Joseph.

Miners Convicted of Murder.

Seven Polish miners were convicted of murder in the first degree in causing the death of Joseph Rutkowski on Sept. 24 last at William Penn, Pa. The murderer was the result, it is said, of a vow taken by members of a Polish secret society.

Bryan Rents Nebraska Home.

W. J. Bryan has rented his home in Lincoln, Neb., for the winter, and he and his family will spend the next three months in Texas and northern California.

Husband Dead; Wife Missing.

The dead body of John Creemens, with a bullet hole in the head, was found in a bed in his late home at Glenwood, Ohio. Creemens was an aged and wealthy citizen. His young wife cannot be found.

Clerk Dropped from Rolls.

N. E. Dawson, a clerk in the office of Gen. Miles, has been dropped from its rolls on account of letters he has written to officials of the Government reflecting upon the President.

George R. Davis Is Dead.

Col. George R. Davis, most prominently known for his official connection with the World's Fair as director-general, died at his home in Chicago of palpitation of the heart.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$7.25; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 65¢ to 66¢; corn, No. 2, 31¢ to 32¢; oats, No. 2, 22¢ to 23¢; rye, No. 2, 54¢ to 55¢; butter, choice creamery, 15¢ to 25¢; eggs, fresh, 17¢ to 19¢; potatoes, choice, 35¢ to 45¢ per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$6.50; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 65¢ to 67¢; corn, No. 2 white, 32¢ to 33¢; oats, No. 2 white, 25¢ to 27¢; rye, 59¢ to 61¢.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$6.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 69¢ to 70¢; corn, No. 2 yellow, 33¢ to 35¢; oats, No. 2 white, 27¢ to 28¢; rye, 57¢ to 59¢.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$6.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 71¢ to 72¢; corn, No. 2 yellow, 30¢ to 32¢; oats, No. 2, 23¢ to 25¢; rye, No. 2, 52¢ to 53¢.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$6.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, 69¢ to 70¢; corn, No. 2 mixed, 31¢ to 33¢; oats, No. 2 mixed, 25¢ to 27¢; rye, No. 2, 59¢ to 61¢.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2, mixed, 67¢ to 68¢; corn, No. 2, mixed, 32¢ to 34¢; oats, No. 2, mixed, 23¢ to 21¢; rye, No. 2, 55¢ to 57¢.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2, northern, 61¢ to 66¢; corn, No. 3, 32¢ to 34¢; oats, No. 2 white, 24¢ to 26¢; rye, No. 1, 54¢ to 56¢; barley, No. 2, 43¢ to 45¢; pork, 27¢ to 28¢.

Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$6.75; hogs, common to choice, \$3.25 to \$4.25; sheep, 24¢ to 30¢; lamb, common to extra, 43¢ to 55¢.

New York—Cattle, \$5.00 to \$7.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 67¢ to 74¢; corn, No. 2, 30¢ to 40¢; oats, No. 2 white, 30¢ to 32¢; butter, creamery, 23¢ to 27¢; eggs, western, 15¢ to 21¢.

Black Rock's Zinc Properties.

The Colonial Zinc Company of New York has purchased from C. E. Mayne of Omaha a forty-acre mineral lease and

the Mayne mill, near Galena, Kan., 110 acres of mineral land of the Free Coinage mine and lease, including two mills, the Blue Wing and several small zinc and lead mines and first leases on three tracts of rich mineral lands near Carterville, Mo. The consideration was \$300,000.

COURT KILLS NEW KANSAS LAW.

Federal Judge Hook Declares "Visitation" Statute Is Invalid.

The Court of Visitation created by the Kansas Legislature at its latest session was declared invalid by Judge Hook of the United States Circuit Court at Topeka. The function of the court was to regulate railroads and telegraph companies. The court decided the law is of the nature of confiscation. The case calling forth the decision was brought before the Court of Visitation by J. B. Maxwell of Topeka against the Western Union Telegraph Company. The Western Union was compelled to put in force a reduced schedule of telegraphic rates provided for by the new law. The Western Union resisted, setting up the unconstitutionality of the law.

CUTS HIS WIFE WITH AN AX.

Then Sets Fire to His House and Perishes in the Flame.

At Duluth, Minn., Jacob Schneider attacked his wife, Mary, with a meat ax at their home in an isolated portion of the city, and after cutting her horribly drowned from the boat. Dora sprang into the water to rescue May, and in doing so upset the boat, throwing Lucy into the river also. Dora succeeded in reaching May and with her in her arms reached Lucy just in time to prevent her going down. Dora held the heads of the two girls above water, and after a desperate struggle succeeded in getting them to shore. All three were more dead than alive.

RECONCILED AT THE INQUEST.

St. Louis Attorney, Exonerated by Jury, Meets His Wife Again.

At St. Louis the coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide in the case of Attorney James T. Roberts, the lawyer charged with the murder of Prof. R. A. Simpson, the dramatic agent. At the inquest Mrs. Roberts testified that Simpson, who was giving her dramatic lessons, had insulted her. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, who had been separated for some time, became reconciled at the inquest.

Poison Treatment Failed.

After suffering awful agony for two days, Joseph Gibbs, aged 32 years, died in the Chester County, Pa., home for Hydrocephalic Patients. His wife is afflicted with the same disease at her home.

The lad stated that the shooting was accidental; that the gun was already loaded, and that when he happened to pick it up it was discharged, the load entering his mother's hand, killing her instantly.

Strike Leader Sent to Jail.

John P. Reese of the United Mine Workers of America, who was sent to Frost Scott, Kan., by National President Mitchell to direct the coal miners' strike, was found guilty of contempt of the Federal Court by violating an injunction against strikers and was sentenced to jail for three months and to pay \$100 fine and several hundred dollars costs.

Will Watch Enrolment of Cherokee.

The chief of the Cherokee nation has appointed Col. L. B. Bell of Vinita, J. T. and W. W. Hastings of Tahlequah as attorneys to represent the Cherokee nation before the United States commission to the five civilized tribes during the time that commission is engaged in making the new rolls of citizens of the Cherokee nation.

Will Contest Insurance Payment.

The local judge of Modern Woodmen at Lexington, Neb., will contest the payment of \$2,000 life insurance on Sherman McPadden, a member who died there. McPadden was a Christian scientist and refused the lodge's request to employ a physician.

Costly Blaze in Guayaquil.

The correspondent in Guayaquil, Ecuador, telegraphs that the custom house, Sun Jose Church and the theater block in that city were destroyed by fire. The total losses are estimated at 1,500,000 pesos.

Miners Convicted of Murder.

In the first degree in causing the death of Joseph Rutkowski on Sept. 24 last at William Penn, Pa. The murderer was the result, it is said, of a vow taken by members of a Polish secret society.

Bryan Rents Nebraska Home.

W. J. Bryan has rented his home in Lincoln, Neb., for the winter, and he and his family will spend the next three months in Texas and northern California.

Husband Dead; Wife Missing.

The dead body of John Creemens, with a bullet hole in the head, was found in a bed in his late home at Glenwood, Ohio. Creemens was an aged and wealthy citizen. His young wife cannot be found.

Clerk

FROST ON THE PUNKIN.

When the frost is on the punkin and the foddar's in the shock;
And you hear the kyonk and gobble of the struttin' turkey-cock,
And the cluckin' of the quineys, and the chukkin' of the hens,
And the rooster's hull-blower as he tip-toes on the fence;
O, it's then's the times a foddar is a feelin' at his best,
With the risin' sun to greet him from a night of peaceful rest,
As he leaves the house bare-headed, and goes out to feed the stock,
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They's somethin' kind of heartlyke about the atmosphere
When the best of summer's over and the coolin' fall is here—
Or course we miss the flowers and the blossoms on the trees,
And the mumble of the hummin' birds and buzzin' of the bees;
But the air's so appetizin', and the landscape through the haze
Of a crisp and sunny morning on the early autumn days.
Is a pictur' that no painter has the colorin' to mock—

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The bushy, rusty rustle of the tassels of the corn,
And the raspin' of the tangled leaves, as golden as the morn;

A preachin' sermons to us of the barns they growed to fit;
The strawstack in the meader, and the reaper in the shed;
The horses in their stalls below—the clover overhead—

O, it sets my heart a-clickin' like the tickin' of a clock,
When the frost is on the punkin and the foddar's in the shock.

—James Whitcomb Riley.

NAN'S KINDERGARTEN

66 If ever I was thankful I am this minute," said Nan Gray, as she threw herself in an easy chair on the piazza. "It did seem as if school would never end, but everything has an end if you can only wait for it, and this blessed day winds up the term, and now for a good sumer's rest from teaching the young idea and all its attendant afflictions."

"Well, dear, are you tired?" said her mother as she entered.

"Tired to death, and I believe I almost wish I might not see a child again until September. Don't, please, don't take any children to board at the cotage this summer, mn."

"Why, Nan Gray, I always thought you loved children."

"So I do, mamma, but after one has eaten a pound of chocolates she doesn't care for any more immediately, does she? Don't you understand?"

"Yes, Nan. We will announce 'No children need apply' so don't worry."

The next morning Nan and George, with their mother, started for their house at the beach, where they were to take a few boarders. On the steamer sitting near them was a young man with three children and a nurse maid. The youngest child was about a year old, a bright, pretty little thing. The other two were boys, perhaps 3 and 5 years old, with sweet faces and curly hair.

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"No," said he candidly, "you rarely see me get worked up, nervous and cross. I am the easiest person in the world to please."

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Looking around, they observed the gentlemen evidently inquiring the way somewhere. He had stopped the local fish merchant, and from all appearances was being directed to the Gray cottage. In a moment came a ring at the door, to which George responded. "Does Mrs. Gray live here?" inquired the stranger, who was leading the little boy of 3 or 4. Closely following was another boy two or three years older, and the nurse with the baby girl on her arms.

George, though intensely amused at Nan's predicament, invited the party in very politely, and spoke to his mother.

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"ad.' I know how anxious you are to take the whole brood under your wing, and I know too well what its shelter means to urge you to say no, when your heart says 'yes,' you dear mother soul!" So the little family stayed many weeks, Papa Bailey coming down every night. And so dear did they become to Nan that it was only with feelings of sadness that she thought of their leaving.

It was the last Saturday of vacation. Nan had taken Baby May into the hammock in the orchard and had sung her to sleep in her arms. "You little darling, I wish I might keep you always," she whispered, as she gazed down into the sweet, rosy little face.

Looking up she saw bending over the hammock baby's papa. "I wish I dared to say the same thing to you, Nan," whispered he, as he looked into Nan's blushing face. "I have wished such many times this summer that I might always have you near. Won't you give up your large school and take a smaller one? We will be good nupils."

"I am not used to mixed grades," said Nan, mischievously, "but will try

it if you wish it very much. But I must tell you a little story first. Perhaps you won't care for such teacher then?" So Nan told him of her weariness at the close of school, and the narrow escape he had from being summarily dismissed when he applied for board for his babies.

He understood perfectly, and with a loving kiss to both occupants of the hammock he slipped a ring on Nan's finger. In the early fell Nan became Mrs. Bailey, and happiness reigned in the Bailey kindergarten.

GEN. CIPRIANO CASTRO.

Who Has Fought His Way to the Presidency of Venezuela.

Gen. Cipriano Castro, the new president of Venezuela, is only 36 years old, but he has been in politics for a long time. He was always one of the warmest supporters of the Liberal party, and took part in the war of defense during the revolution that was led by Crespo. That general did all he could to influence Castro to his side, and even offered him a portfolio, but Castro could not be persuaded to take it. The reverse, indeed, was the fact, for Castro severely criticised Crespo's administration. When Andrade's star began to rise Castro led a movement against him and Crespo. After the failure of the "Mocho" Hernandez revolution the man who is now president successfully defeated Morales and Larraza and became the dominant military power of the country. With his new success came hordes of followers, and Castro, after carrying numerous towns, at last took the capitulation. President Castro is a highly educated young man and a hard worker, but he is handicapped with that exuberance of character that is the greatest handicap to the Latin race.

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IN THE LAST DITCH.

FEW GROUNDS OF ATTACK FOR FREE-TRADERS.

The Truth as to Export Prices—Great Home Demand Relieves Manufacturers of Necessity of Sealing Goods Aboard to Be Sold at a Loss.

The sale to foreign consumers of American manufactured products at a lower price than American consumers are required to pay is one of the principal counts in the indictment which free traders bring against the American policy of protection. Indeed, this, together with the claim that trusts are fostered and promoted by protection, is almost the only ground of attack remaining for the free traders. The splendid facts of a revived domestic trade, and of a general condition of unprecedented prosperity growing out of the restoration of a protective tariff, these great facts are so patent and so indisputable that the tree trader of today is reduced to the extremity of opposing protection on two pretexts only—that of responsibility for trusts, and that of enabling our manufacturers to make big profits on the goods they sell at home while selling the same class of goods to foreigners at much lower prices.

The first of these indictments relating to the trusts is easily disposed of by the proof that trusts thrive in free trade Great Britain fully as well as in protected America, and that the most powerful of all our domestic trusts are those which are not in the

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G. PALMER, EDITOR & PROPRIETOR

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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Perhaps Gen. Otis is letting Angy run around now, so that he can be caught at the right time to make him a Christmas present to Uncle Sam.

The opinion that Congressman-elect Roberts will never take his seat in the national House of Representatives is growing stronger, and the indications are that Utah's place will be declared vacant upon an objection and accompanying resolution during the call of the states at the opening session.

Oklahoma is going to make an intelligent and determined fight this winter for admission into the sisterhood of states. The growth of the territory, both as regards population and wealth, has been marvelous, and the people feel that they are possessed of all the qualifications which entitles them to a high place in the Union—Chicago Inter Ocean.

William Jennings Bryan has gone to Texas to recuperate. One of his first acts was to make a speech in which he declared himself as loyal as ever to the 16 to 1 theory, and that it should have precedence over everything else, if he had his way. It is to be hoped he will have his way. No one will be hurt, and the pernicious doctrine may as well be wiped out of existence once and for all.—Saginaw Courier Herald.

Ambassador Cheote said at the Thanksgiving dinner in London that those American women in London, "who fitted out a hospital ship" had done a deed that would live for all time, as a blessing to common humanity." We read, on the contrary, that some of the American ladies who had never entered into the hospital ship project. Forgetting for the moment that the ship cannot claim the bight into the South African republic the ladies were induced to subscribe on the understanding that the hospital ship was for the wounded of both armies, Boer and English. Now that the ladies realize that the ship can be of use only to the latter, they feel that the gift takes on too considerate an aspect.—Detroit Journal.

Congress assembled last Monday and the session promised to be a long one. Not in many years have so many matters of great moment awaited congressional action. The Senate, exclusive of the four vacancies, will consist of 51 Republicans, 26 Democrats, 4 Silver Republicans, 4 Populists and one Independent, giving the Republicans a majority of 10. One of the first duties of the Senate will be a reorganization of committees and officers of that body, the present officers being democratic. The two most important positions are Secretary of the Senate, and sergeant-at-arms, each placing about \$5,000 salary and carrying with it considerable patronage. By general consent the selection of secretary will be left to those states east of the Alleghany, General J. B. Clarkson, of New York, being the concluded candidate. The office of sergeant-at-arms will be left to the west, and several candidates are announced.

Glorified, idolized, and plastered with praise as he is by the Filipinos, it is doubtful if William J. Bryan feels highly elated at being termed a "Filipino in ideas, the clasp that links and unites two friendly peoples torn by the same dissensions and deserving of the apostrophe and admiration of the world." It must be humiliating to a man who is an American citizen to be placed upon the pedestal of un-Americanism before the world. If there is a spark of patriotism about the Nebraskan he must swear under his breath at being held up as the type of perfection by the man who deliberately plotted the slaughter not only of Americans through a treacherous rising of his followers, but of every European in Manila. While he was extorting the hand of friendship, this Malay product, who is now a fugitive shorn of all power and deserted by his followers, held the bolt of the assassin in the other, ready to strike the unsuspecting victim in the back. It must be pleasant in the light of recent developments and the exposition of the truth, for Mr. Bryan to contemplate what a serious mistake he made when for the purpose of catching the votes of a few dissatisfied dreamers, he uttered the words that caused his deification by Aguinaldo.—Detroit Tribune.

WANTED—Several persons for direct or five minutes in this state to represent me in their own and surrounding counties, willing to pay yearly \$500 payable weekly. Double entendre with full legal opportunity. References exchanged. Send self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Park, 320 Paxton Building, Chicago, Nov. 23-30.

Additional Local Matter.

The Grayling Social Club had an enjoyable reunion at their rooms, Thanksgiving night. A large party enjoyed the social gathering with music, mirth, dancing and light refreshments.

C. E. Notes.

There will be no regular C. E. meeting Sunday evening. The church hour will be taken up for a Missionary Rally. A special program is prepared and a good meeting anticipated.

The C. E. will give an entertainment consisting of charades and music, Tuesday evening the 12th, in the Presbyterian church. Light refreshments will be served. All for the nominal price of 10 cents. Come and enjoy yourselves.

At the regular business meeting of C. E., Monday night, the following officers were elected: Miss May Blanshan, President; Mr. F. Peck, Vice President; Miss Hattie Blanshan, cor. Secretary; Miss Edna Wainwright, recording Secretary; John Clark, Treasurer.

Late Pupils.

The following pupils were late last week:

High School—None.

Grades 6 and 7—None.

Grade 5—Maude Wilcox, Ferdinand Sorenson,

Grade 4—Eesper Olson, Lawrence Hillsbury, Leah Goupl, and Elmer Brown.

Grade 3—Mabel Proper, John B. Aebli, Myrtle Persons, (twice); Benne Laurent (3 times.)

Grade 2—Willie Dougherty, Pearl Wilcox, Camilla Fisher, Bertha Sorenson.

Grade 1—Rolle Wilcox, Mabel Colleen, Arthur Dougherty.

There are a few families that cause about all the tardiness. It is hoped that parents will send their children on time, especially Monday morning.

Maple Forest Items.

Mr. Editor—It has been a long time since Maple Forest items have appeared in your columns, so I have concluded to write a few current events.

Miss Lida Charron is visiting at L. Fournier.

Edgar Wilkinson was at Frederic Saturday.

Archie Howe is spending a couple of days out at Judge's.

We understand the Fournies saw mill has commenced work again.

It is claimed that the deer are plenty here; but nearly all of the hunters have returned home heavy hearted.

Alva Wilkinson was visiting with friends in Cheboygan. It is reported that the "friend" proved to be a bride. How is it, Alva?

"Phillip" knows what will cure a cold in one day. He procures it at Judge's, but the "school maams" miss him when he is gone.

Miss Mabel Howe is engaged to help Mrs. John Edmonds for a few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Edmonds are engaged as cooks at Archie Howe's camp.

There was a quilt tying bee and a social on the evening of November 23rd, at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Vallad. Proceeds of social were for the minister. We have not learned results.

MY STORY.

Scrub Cattle No Good.

The following from the Alcona County Review may prove of benefit to the farmers of this county, and they will do well to observe the same if they desire to obtain the highest market price for their beef.

"A. McClatchety arrived Friday from the Buffalo markets where he had been for several days trying to dispose of a couple of carloads of stock. He reports no market at all for the class of stock he had and considered himself lucky to get away with only \$60 or \$70 loss on the lot. Others lost much more. One Alpena dealer, he says lost \$125 on one load.

Mr. McClatchety saved himself in part by buying cattle there and reselling the same. He bought cattle at 3½ cents that were of a better class than was ever raised in Alcona county. There were 55 loads of stock unsold in Buffalo. This week's report is still worse. Farmers must awaken to the fact that the day for scrubs is past.

Our Gift to You
If you will renew your subscription or become a new subscriber to THE AVALANCHE, and send or call at this office and pay \$1.00, the price of THE AVALANCHE, and 25 cents additional, then we will present you with a year's subscription to The Household. This is an opportunity never before offered, and cannot be continued indefinitely. The price of The Household alone is \$1.00. The price of THE AVALANCHE is \$1.00. Thus the price of both to you is only \$1.25. You can see sample copies of the household at my office. You should act at once so as to receive the Christmas issue.

A Sure Cure for Croup.

Twenty-five years' constant use without a failure. The first indication of croup is hoarseness, and in a child subject to that disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedies is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent an attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxious mothers. We have yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effectual. No other preparation can show such a record—twenty-five years' constant use without a failure. For sale by L. Fournier.

In the army, last year, typhoid fever caused nearly three times as many deaths as bullets. Medical science has an enemy in this disease that demands the most vigilant investigation.

My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. Some time ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—Thomas C. Bower, Glencoe, O. For sale by L. Fournier.

The machine for the manufacture of liquid air, given to the University of Michigan by Charles Brush, of Cleveland, has arrived at the laboratory of general chemistry. The machine is being set up in the basement of the chemistry building. It weighs nearly two tons, will occupy some eighty feet of floor space, and will be operated by a five horsepower motor. About two weeks will be required to get the machine in operation. Its capacity is estimated at a quart an hour.

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnson of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1862. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic with me. My foot was swollen and paining me very much, but one good application of Pain Balm relieved me."

For sale by L. Fournier.

We are indebted to Mrs. W. J. Terney for a wonderful phenomenon presented to us during the week, it being a bouquet of trailing Arbutus or May flowers, the buds of which are almost ready to burst into bloom. This is all the more remarkable when we take into consideration the fact that this flower blooms only in the spring. The development of this plant at this season demonstrates the kind of weather we have been enjoying. While it is pleasant to contemplate, there arises the fear that perhaps fruit trees have been forced ahead and that the severe weather which must necessarily follow will injure the buds.—Roscommon News.

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Muresco is the best Wall Finish in the market. Sold by Colter & Co.

H. Schreiber, postmaster at Sigbee, was in town, last week.

Mrs. B. Sherman, of Maple Forest, was in town, Saturday.

I am now prepared to write policies in a first class insurance company.

JOSEPH PATTERSON.

The earth was slightly whitened with snow for a couple of hours the 1st and 4th.

Half a hundred old soldiers called on us Monday, and executed their vouchers for the December pension.

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Among the happy gatherings in the village, Thanksgiving day, none could exceed that at the home of W. F. Brink, where with their family and friends we had the pleasure of being entertained. We gave, and yet give thanks.

Brave Men Fall.

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner, of Idaville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitter is just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents at L. Fournier's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

The union Thanksgiving service was held at the M. E. church, with better attendance than usual. The sermon, by Rev. O. W. Willits, was an able effort, appropriate for the occasion, and received marked attention.

Paid Dear for His Leg.

R. D. Blanton of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$400.00 to doctors to cure a running sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Buckle's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for piles. 25cts. a box. Sold by L. Fournier druggist.

Who wouldn't be—not the ice man—but the publisher of a paper in Alaska? The Dawson Daily News sells for 25 cents a copy, four dollars a month, or \$35.00 a year. It isn't a very big paper either.

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Parties having young cattle can find a ready market for them by applying to us. We will pay highest market price.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition has been filed with the clerk of the circuit court for the county of Crawford, state of Michigan, praying for the vacation of all that part of the county of Crawford, in the state of Michigan, described as follows: To wit: All land in section three, lots eleven (11) and twelve (12), and blocks four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9) and ten (10) of block three (3), except lots three (3) and four (4); and lots three (3) and four (4) of block one (1) of Hadley's third addition to the village of Grayling, according to the plan of survey thereof, and that an application for a new survey of the same is being made to the circuit court for the county of Crawford, state of Michigan.

Dated October 1st, 1890.

JOHN BOSSBACH.

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CABOLISHING THE GRADE CROSSING

THIS is the story of how Chicago dealt with grade crossings, mainly condensed from the Chronicle: Fifteen years ago Chicago was intersected in every direction and at all possible angles with railroad tracks. Every track was laid at the grade of the streets or alleys it crossed. Accidents—generally fatalities, for grade crossings accidentally rarely stop short of the death of the victim—were of daily, almost hourly, occurrence. Chicago began to murmur and rebel against the grade crossing—it was determined to abolish them once for all.

The railroad companies were willing to elevate or depress the numerous tracks, but were not willing to undergo the hardship and expense of the im-

pulsion. They held that neither they nor the city could afford the expense even if they could stand the interruption to their ordinary business while their tracks were being elevated. The first objection raised was that the roads would practically be forced to suspend business while this work was going on. The Mayor thought differently, but in conclusion said let them suspend them; for the lives and limbs of the people were valuable beyond any mere financial computation. Not an inch of track has been established according to the new grade without a persistent fight in which all the skill, foresight and acumen of the companies has been expended. The expense, as has been shown, has been enormous, even if no other cost had been involved than the filling in and remaking of the roadbed within the limits prescribed. But every step in the progression has been fought over bitterly, entailing additional expense on the roads. So far as the city is concerned, the battle has been substantially without expense beyond that provided for in the ordinary administration of public affairs.

Jan. 1, 1892, not a mile of the hundred of tracks in the city had been elevated. Probably somewhere near 2,000 crossings were in existence. In one year—last year—nearly 200 crossings were eliminated. This is a mere straw to show how rapidly the tide set in the other way when once the city got down to business. With every crossing on grade in the beginning of the initial year of actual elevation, the year closed with some fifty miles in the air and a large number of dangerous crossings, especially on the south side, no longer menaced the people.

Seven years ago every train, freight or passenger, which entered the city poked along slowly from the limits to the depots with very few exceptions. Ordinances provided that only a certain speed should be maintained inside the city limits, that the peril to pedestrians or other citizens in the city might be reduced to a minimum. Some fast express trains rushed along at a high rate of speed, but they were stopped at block intervals for six or seven miles. Gates were dropped when the trains were half a mile off.

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A MOTHER'S ADVICE.

If you want to please the men
Daughter mine;
Learn a little bit of art,
Some good poetry by heart,
Languages to wit impart,
Music fine.
Know the proper way to dress,
How to comfort and careess,
Dance a little, gossip less,
Daughter mine.

If you want to please the men,
Daughter mine;
Study how to mix a cake,
Learn to stew and boil and bake,
Say you cook for cooking's sake,
How divine—
Be a housewife, all the rest,
Counts but little, truth confessed,
Such girls always marry best,
Daughter mine.

PICKLED ONIONS.

By Susan Archer Waits.

"Talking o' pickles," said Uncle Lyman, tilting his shuck-bottomed chair back against the blue-painted wainscot, and crossing one knee over the other, "did I ever tell you gals what happened to me along o' a jar o' pickled inguns?"

Three bright pairs o' eyes turned upon him, and three eager voices implored him to tell the story.

"Wal, 'twas when I was 'bout the age o' Lyman there—nigh upon 21—and I had just come down to be clerk in Uncle Steve's new store at Three Pine Fork. Bein' good-looking and extra well-dressed, and considerably of a lady's man inter the bargain, I cut quite a figger 'mongst the Pine Fork folks; and before I'd been there two weeks, had got inter the good graces o' most o' the gals, and set the contrary sparks mad as painted Indians.

"Wal, that was one gal o' the lot that had took my eye from the first—a sweet, purty, eatin' little creature as ever lived, with big, brown eyes, and a nursed-up cherry mouth, and the neatest little figger, round and plump as a partridge.

"Half the boys was in love with her, but she didn't seem to keep overmuch for any o' 'em; and the idee struck me that it would be a good thing to cut 'em all out, and show what I could do with even such a shy, skittish little creature as Kitty Kinsey.

"So the first time I had a chance—I remember 'twas at Miss Miller's quiltin' party—I set up to her, and danced with her most o' the time, and tuck her into supper, and caught her every time at Blind-man's Buff, and ended by walkin' home with her through the pine woods in the moonlight, and squeezin' her hand.

"She seemed pleased enough; and so it went on for a week or two, and I used to see the eyes grow brighter and her cheeks redder whenever I come in sight. But at last people began to talk, and wonder when the weddin' was a-comin' off. And as I hadn't the fast idee o' gettin' married at that time, and Kitty's big brother Tom was expected home shortly, I began to think I'd better get out o' the scrape in good time.

"Poor little Kitty! I remember how surprised her big brown eyes looked when I asked Lousy Parker, right afore her face, for the pleasure o' seein' her to Miss Clarke's tea party next evenin'. She didn't say a word, nor show any vexation; but at the party she was mighty quiet-like, and I began to feel powerful mean and low-down. And then, all of a sudden, she seemed to make up her mind to let me go, and she began laughin' and talkin' with Mark Daffron, just as I was a-doin' with Lousy Parker, and flattin' her' self, poor little thing, that I couldn't see through it.

"As to Mark, he was that pert and stuck up with her seemin' to like him that I could a-chucked him out o' the winder; and at last I went up and told her, afore his face, that I would claim the Virginny reel, as we'd always danced it together.

"But she said, in a demure sort o' way, that nebbe we'd danced it so often together that we'd got tired and wanted a change.

"And then she walked off with Mark, and I seen that feller a-grimmin' to himself like Punch at Zeb Jones' terbacker shop door.

"Wal, galas, afore that party was over, I made a mighty diskiivery. I found out, to my own surprise, that I was actually in love with Kitty Kinsey. But whether she was as much in love with me as I had all along fancied, it warnt so easy to discover; for she put on all sorts o' tantalizin' airs, and snubbed me, and carried on with the other fellers, till, what between love o' her and jealousy o' them, I was well nigh mad as a hornet.

"Two or three weeks went on in this way. I tried my best to get back into Kitty's favor; but she seemed mighty indifferent to me and my doins', and let Mark Daffron take her round to the dancin' parties and prayer meetin's. He was what folks called a risin' young farmer, but to my idee awful humly, and his eloces not to compare to my city-cut; so I knew all along that Kitty couldn't only have took up with him, only jest a little put out about me and Lousy Parker.

"So I dropped Lousy and let her go, and went to Kitty; but she was that skittish that I never could git a hold on her, and she kep' me dancin' round, till I determined to do somethin' desprit to bring her to the pint."

"One evenin' I was goin' past her house, when I saw her a-settin' at the side kitchen winder, lookin' mighty dreamy and quiet, but as purty as a peeler, with all her brown curls flut'erin' in the breeze, and her plump, dimpled face as fresh as the apple-blossoms shadn't the winder. I wondered if she was thinkin' o' me. But jest then she looked up and saw me, and answered my bow with a little keelless toss of her head, and looked down ag'in, and pulled a big basket of somethin' toward her, as if she hadn't seen me, and I went on feelin' altogether low-spirited and desprit.

"But all of a sudden an idee struck me. Uncle Steve meant to send me up to town next day on business, and I'd be away 'bout a week. I hurried

to the store, wrote a note to Kitty, biddin' her far-well, and hittin' that I might never come back ag'in, as she'd treated me so cruel. Then I called Hiram—Pete, went slyly round to the lane that led past the house. I told him to go right into the yard and give the note to Miss Kitty, as she sat there, in full view of where I could see her through the lilac bushes inside the fence.

"Wal, I saw Kitty reach down her dimpled arm with the sleeve rolled up, and take the note. Then I watched her. She read it and dropped it in her lap; and then I saw her purty brown eyes begin to wrinkle, and she put up a corner of her apron to wipe away the tears; then she looked at the note ag'in, and the tears kep' comin' faster, and I caught a sort of a sob; and at last she dropped her head on the window sill for a minute, seemin' mightily distressed, and after awhile jumped up and with her apron to her eyes, ran right out o' the kitchen, jest as her Aunt Mirra came in at the yard door.

"Wal, that evenin' I felt that I couldn't stay away from Kitty. My heart sort o' reproached me for the sufferin' I caused her; and when I thought of her distress over that cruel note, I made up my mind to go right straight to her and tell her that I loved her, and that if she would only confess that she loved me, nothin' should ever tear us apart.

"When I knocked at the door, Miss Mirra opened it and looked at me in a cool sort o' way. I asked for Kitty.

"Why, I don't know as Kitty can see anybody this evenin'," she said, in a doubtful kind o' way.

"Is she sick?" says I, feelin' a little uneasy about the effect o' that note.

"Not exactly sick," says she.

"Engaged?"

"No, nor engaged. It's only that it isn't jest convenient this evenin'. She had to excuse herself from seein' Mark Daffron."

"But, Miss Mirra, I'm going away to-morrow, and wish very particular to see her. Don't you think she'd come down for a minute or two?"

"I don't know," she said, still diff'ful; "but come inter the parlor, and I'll go up and see."

"Wal, I waited a good while in the parlor. I heerd some runnin' about overhead, and Miss Mirra call down to Betsy to bring up the vinegar and peppermint; and I began to feel rather alarmed 'bout Kitty—poor, tender-hearted little creature!"

"She come in at last—shy and diff'ful, with tears that she'd been cryin'. Instead of comin' up to me, she went way off to the farthest corner of the room; and when I changed my seat higher to hers, she looked started like, and wriggled into the next farthest cheer.

"Miss Kitty," says I, mighty soft, "I found I couldn't bring myself to go away without seein' you again."

"Are you really goin' for good?" says she softly.

"It will depend upon you whether I do or not," I answered, gloomy like.

"Me?" says she, lookin' mighty innocent and surprised.

"I looked at her a minute, then I says:

"Oh, Kitty, why will you make me and yourself miserable? Haven't we suffered enough? Haven't I been punished sufficient for my foolishness? Why can't you be open and frank, and let us be happy again?"

"Lor!" says she, lookin' a little pround-like, "Mr. Santos. I don't understand you."

"Don't understand me? Do you mean to say, Kitty, that you do not know that I love you?"

"I might have thought you liked me once," says she, movin' away as I jogged my cheet higher. "But it don't matter now that it's over," she added, with a little laugh.

"And you don't keer for me, Kitty?" You don't keer a bit about my goin' away never to come back?" I said, fixin' my eyes upon her, and feelin' that I certainly had her now at close quarters.

"Lor," says she, "of course I'd be sorry to say goodby forever to anybody I know."

"Kitty," says I, solemnly, "did you get a note from me this evenin'—a few hours ago?"

"Yes, I did."

"And when you read it, did you not keer one bit that I was goin' away?"

"Why," says she, openin' her eyes a little, and sort o' colorin'—why, I don't see as I ought to keer more about it than if anybody else was goin'."

"As to Mark, he was that pert and stuck up with her seemin' to like him that I could a-chucked him out o' the winder; and at last I went up and told her, afore his face, that I would claim the Virginny reel, as we'd always danced it together.

"But she said, in a demure sort o' way, that nebbe we'd danced it so often together that we'd got tired and wanted a change.

"And then she walked off with Mark, and I seen that feller a-grimmin' to himself like Punch at Zeb Jones' terbacker shop door.

"Wal, galas, afore that party was over, I made a mighty diskiivery. I found out, to my own surprise, that I was actually in love with Kitty Kinsey. But whether she was as much in love with me as I had all along fancied, it warnt so easy to discover; for she put on all sorts o' tantalizin' airs, and snubbed me, and carried on with the other fellers, till, what between love o' her and jealousy o' them, I was well nigh mad as a hornet.

"Two or three weeks went on in this way. I tried my best to get back into Kitty's favor; but she seemed mighty indifferent to me and my doins', and let Mark Daffron take her round to the dancin' parties and prayer meetin's. He was what folks called a risin' young farmer, but to my idee awful humly, and his eloces not to compare to my city-cut; so I knew all along that Kitty couldn't only have took up with him, only jest a little put out about me and Lousy Parker.

"So I dropped Lousy and let her go, and went to Kitty; but she was that skittish that I never could git a hold on her, and she kep' me dancin' round, till I determined to do somethin' desprit to bring her to the pint."

"One evenin' I was goin' past her house, when I saw her a-settin' at the side kitchen winder, lookin' mighty dreamy and quiet, but as purty as a peeler, with all her brown curls flut'erin' in the breeze, and her plump, dimpled face as fresh as the apple-blossoms shadn't the winder. I wondered if she was thinkin' o' me. But jest then she looked up and saw me, and answered my bow with a little keelless toss of her head, and looked down ag'in, and pulled a big basket of somethin' toward her, as if she hadn't seen me, and I went on feelin' altogether low-spirited and desprit.

"But all of a sudden an idee struck me. Uncle Steve meant to send me up to town next day on business, and I'd be away 'bout a week. I hurried

THE JOKER'S BUDGET.

Do You Know Him?

There is a man in our town
Who thinks he's wondrous wise;
And when there is an argument
He is willing to advise.

But when there's labor to be done
This man, with smile so bland,
Looks wiser yet and shakes his head,
But he never lends a hand.

How She Lost Him.

He—Positively, you're the first girl I
ever kissed!

She—I felt like it—New York Com-

mercial Advertiser.

Worth Seeing.

"Billy, your wife is a very stylish

"Stylish? Wait till you see on

cook."

Consistent.

Dyspeptic Patron—See here, this cof-

fers cold.

Waiter—Sure! This is a quick-lunch

Joint. If the coffee was hot you

wouldn't have time to rubuk it—Cath-

olic Standard.

Remnant Refreshment.

What do you think my bordars

call bread pudding?"

"Goodness knows."

"They call it rag-time dessert."—Detroit Free Press.

Missed His Vacation.

Patient—Should have gone into

the army, doctor.

Doctor—Why so?

Patient—Judging by the way you

charge your friends you would be able

to completely annihilate an enemy.

Subtile Flattery.

Hicks—How did you ever manage to

borrow \$20 of that stranger?

Wicks—Oh, easy enough. He's

Philadelphia, you know, and when I

began talking with him I asked him if

he wasn't a New Yorker.—Somerville Journal.

Cause and Effect.

"Why were the neighbors all rushing

to her house the other night?"

"Thought she was yellin' for help.

Come to find out, she was only tryin' to

repeat a verse she had picked up at

the grand opern."—Detroit Free Press.

The Two Points of View.

Old Morgan—if you knew how hard

it is to get money together you would

not be eager to squander it.

Young Morgan—if you knew what

fun there is in spending money you

wouldn't give your life to saving it.—Boston Transcript.

Had a Reason for It.

Bobbins—What has come over Bjones?

He's so insufferably stuck up that one

scarcely dares speak to him.

Slobbs—A second cousin of his was

once shaved by the same barber who

trimmed the whiskers of a man whose

wife's sister's step-uncle went to

school with Dewey.

A Brilliant Finish.

I saw him kiss you just before he

was leaving," said the sour-visaged

young man.

Young Morgan—if you knew what

fun there is in spending money you

wouldn't give your life to saving it.—Boston Transcript.